

BON MARCHE, 314-316-318 7th St.

A Big Queer Sale of Ribbons.

Our Opening Sale of Ribbons for this season starts tomorrow—closes Saturday night. Four days of the most phenomenal ribbon selling that should interest every woman in Washington. Differs from any ribbon event ever held in this city in that every yard of ribbon is new and of the best quality. There's not a slow-selling ribbon, or an out-of-date fancy ribbon in the assortment. All the approved shades for spring and summer are included, and the ribbons are pure silk—every thread of them—and of rich ribbon weights—not the skimpy stuff just made to sell.

Ribbons for millinery uses—Ribbons for belts and collars—Ribbons for those elegant new waists—Ribbons for trimming—narrow ribbons for baby clothes—in fact, everything in Ribbons

At Prices Just About Half Usual Figures.

This is not a price-cutting, but a money-saving, with safe economy behind every yard of Ribbon that we sell.

500 spools of All-Silk Satin Gros Grain Ribbon, in all the dainty colorings for edgings and trimming—gowns—baby ribbons, as it is called, 50-yard spools that regularly sell for 75c, we offer for

50c.

All 1 dozen yards, for.....

15c.

No. 1 Ribbon, a little wider than the above, Regularly \$1.50 for 50 yards. Our price.....

\$1

Or a dozen yards for.....

26c.

No. 1 Satin-back Velvet Ribbon, in black and colors, used for edging ruffles, 10-yd. pieces that sell for 25c.—for

17c.

Imported Taffeta Ribbons of soft finish and high luster, 3 1/2 and 4 inches wide, in black and all new colors, fancy stripes, Regularly 25c. yard, for.....

15c.

Fancy-striped Faltie and Taffeta Ribbons, in dainty colorings for neckwear, rich quality that stands repeated trying without injury, 3 and 4 inches wide, Regularly 25c. and 30c.—at.....

19c.

12,000 yards of Rich Double-face Satin Ribbon, in black, cream and pretty light colorings, 3 1/2 inches wide, Regularly 30c. yard—for.....

25c.

Black Silk Velvet Ribbon, satin back, a good, permanent black, Nos. 12 and 16. Regularly 25c. and 35c. yard. For.....

19c.

Best Double-face Satin Ribbon, for pulley strings and gold belts, all silk:

No. 5.....

8c. yd.

No. 7.....

10c. yd.

No. 9.....

12 1/2 c. yd.

6,000 yards of Rich Double-face Satin Ribbon, in black of high luster, soft finish—for trimming and girde belts:

3-in. wide, 20c. quality.....

19c. yd.

4 1/2-in. wide, 45c. quality.....

29c. yd.

5-in. wide, 50c. quality.....

35c. yd.

10,000 yards of 1-inch All-silk Ribbon, fancy and plain colors, for hair ribbon. Regularly 12 1/2 c. yard—for.....

5c.

Golf Belts, made of all-silk ribbon, with six silk buttons. Regularly 75c. for.....

35c.

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Wonder what Mertz will say today?

Special Offering.

Suits To Order, \$8.20.

Sale Closes Saturday, March 10th.

Mertz and Mertz,

XXth Century Tailors,
906 and 908 F Street.

Crescent Bicycles Stand the Wear and Tear.

Made by the Largest Bicycle Makers in the World.

CRESCENT BICYCLES,

\$25 and \$35.

Are you one of the many who want a stanch, easy-running Bicycle at a moderate price? The handsome new CRESCENTS for 1900 will meet your desires to a dot. This wheel has the guarantee of the largest bicycle manufacturers in the world back of it. It is a bicycle in which to place your confidence—a wheel with all the latest improvements. Choice of American Dunlop or Hartford Tires. Prices, only \$25 and \$35.

American Bicycle Co.,

Washington Branch, POPE SALES DEPT.,
817-819 Fourteenth St.

Local Agencies, 106 B & C. E. 1812 14th St. N.W.

At the Request of His Mother.

Albert Brown, a colored boy who was yesterday convicted in the Police Court before Judge Kimball of shooting Benjamin W. Moore, a small white boy, in the head with a ball from a parlor rifle and painfully injuring him, was today sent to jail for ten days by the court. Judge Kimball said he thought the accused boy ought to go to the reform school, but at the request of the lad's mother the jail sentence was imposed.

Again Arraigned.

Martha Chandler, who was yesterday fined \$10 in the Police Court for the larceny of some small articles from a lady

by whom she was employed as a domestic, was today arraigned before Judge Kimball on the charge of stealing several articles of silver from Page & Coffin, proprietors of the House restaurant, two years ago. She was fined \$25, with the alternative of sixty days in jail.

Case Goes to Grand Jury.

Dudley A. Richardson, a half-grown colored boy, was today arraigned in the Police Court before Judge Kimball on the charge of stealing seventy-five feet of copper cable wire, valued at \$75, from the Capital Railway Company. He was held in \$300 bonds for the action of the grand jury.

If you want work read the want columns of The Star.

INCURS HEAVY PENALTY.

George Duffin Fined \$100 for Carrying Concealed Weapon.

George Duffin was today convicted in the Police Court, before Judge Scott, of carrying a razor concealed upon his person. The evidence showed that in Duffin's case it was more than an ordinary violation of the law, and he was fined \$100, with the alternative of 120 days in jail.

Mace Duffin, brother of George, who went to the station house to inquire about his brother after the latter's arrest, was also charged with having a pistol concealed on him. He pleaded guilty, but made what the court considered a good excuse, and by direction of Judge Scott his personal bonds were taken.

On Charge of Larceny.

Perry Green was today convicted before Judge Kimball in the Police Court of the larceny of a lot of bicycle goods, valued at \$27, from Arnold & Yancy. The accused was also convicted of stealing a drill, valued at \$2, from Howard W. Boyd. As Green has already been convicted of petty larceny, the larceny from Mr. Boyd was made a second offense charge, and he was held in \$300 bonds for the action of the grand jury. For the theft of the bicycle goods Judge Kimball sent him to jail for six months.

In the Criminal Court.

William King, convicted of housebreaking, was today sentenced by Justice Claiborne, in Criminal Court No. 1, to imprisonment in the West Virginia penitentiary at Martinsburg, for five years.

Robert Wilson, charged with grand larceny, was today released on bail, Wm. H. Davis qualifying as surety in the sum of \$1,000.

Husband Obtains Divorce.

Justice Barnard, in Equity Court No. 2, today signed a decree granting William Brinkley a divorce from Elizabeth Brinkley. In his petition Mr. Brinkley alleged that the respondent had been guilty of infidelity.

The will of Maria O'Reilly, dated June 5, 1890, was filed today for probate. The estate of the deceased is bequeathed to her niece, Blanche Kearney, who is named executrix.

Will Filed for Probate.

TRY GRAIN-O! TRY GRAIN-O!

Ask your grocer today to show you a package of GRAIN-O! the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury, as well as the adult. All the try it, like GRAIN-O! has that rich mellow brown of Mocha and most delicate aromatic flavor without defeat of the price of coffee. 15c. and 25c. per package. Sold by all grocers.

HIGHWAY EXTENSION PLAN

Fourth Section Inspected Today at the Office of the Commissioners.

Hearing Given Interested Citizens—

The Plan Explained by Capt.

Beach—The Discussion.

The District Commissioners today gave the hearing which the law requires shall be given to all persons interested in the fourth section of the proposed plan of highway extensions. This section is the last to be prepared under the provisions of the highway act, and includes all the portions of the District east and south of the Eastern branch of the Potomac river. As heretofore explained, the Commissioners, in preparing the fourth section, did not attempt to extend the streets and avenues in strict conformity to the general plan of the city, but prepared it with regard to the topography of the land, which, generally speaking, is the roughest in the four sections. Not a single objection was filed at the hearing against the plan.

Capt. Beach, the Engineer Commissioner, who has immediate supervision of the subject, explained to the dozen or more property owners present at the hearing that the law requires the Commissioners to afford all persons interested an opportunity to file objections to the plan, but he further explained that the final adoption of it will not interfere with any one's right to use or build upon his land. Nor, he stated, is it proposed to immediately condemn the land required in the extension of the streets and avenues as set forth on the map of the proposed plan. The final adoption of the plan merely designates, he said, the manner and direction in which these streets and avenues will eventually be extended. The Commissioners, he continued, found it extremely difficult to make easy grades in the territory because of the topography of the land, but great care was taken to do as little damage as possible to property and secure the easiest possible grades.

Mr. Stephen H. Friedman called attention to the steep grades and asked that the roads be repaired and put in as good shape as possible. He spoke of the great difficulty people residing south of the Annapolis road in hauling their produce to market, citing the Giesboro' road as one particularly needing attention. Capt. Beach explained that this road is not a public one but stated that if the plan be adopted it will become one.

Mr. M. J. Walter spoke approvingly of the plan, congratulating the Commissioners upon their determination in preparing it to follow the topography of the land as far as possible instead of arbitrarily following the city plan.

Replying to an inquiry of Mr. J. E. Minix president of the Annapolis Citizens' Association, Capt. Beach stated that no existing subdivision had been disturbed, none of which is included in the proposed plan. Mr. Charles W. Frazier was informed by the Engineer Commissioner that there is no intention of widening Nichols avenue, and to the Rev. Wm. H. Hunter he stated it is proposed to widen Morris street from 20 to 30 feet, and that all land taken will be paid for.

The plan will now be forwarded by the Commissioners to the highway commission, consisting of the Secretaries of War and Interior and the chief of engineers of the army, for its action. When it is approved by this commission it will be placed on file in the office of the surveyor of the District. When this final action is taken all extensions of streets and avenues in the section must be made in conformity to the plan adopted.

MAGNATES IN SECRET SESSION.

Circuit Committee Reported to Have Conferred at Atlantic City Yesterday.

The circuit committee of the National League met yesterday to untangle the various skeins of the base ball situation. The greatest secrecy was maintained by all concerned in the gathering. In order that the results arrived at might not become known before the league meets in New York tomorrow.

It was reported on Saturday and again on Sunday that the secret meeting was to be held in Philadelphia, but it was stated positively, on reliable authority, that such was not the case.

The out-of-town club owners known to have been in the Quaker city yesterday were President Dreyfus of the Pittsburgh Club, and Harry Pullman of Louisville. Both called on Col. Rogers at the latter's office and left later for Atlantic City.

About 2 o'clock in the afternoon Col. Rogers also dropped out of sight, and it was stated that he had taken a train, presumably upon the receipt of the cipher telegram he had been expecting from John T. Brush, the chairman of the committee.

According to dispatches from New York, it was thought the committee was meeting either in Newark or Trenton. Mr. Solon of Boston, one of the members, could not be located in New York, and unless he had left that city he is believed to have carried out his threat of wearing a disguise to escape the reporters. Messrs. Dreyfus and Pullman were seen last night at Atlantic City, and both denied that the committee was in session at that resort.

The meeting yesterday is believed to have been merely for the purpose of discussing ways and means to settle the various questions growing out of the desire to reduce the circuit to eight clubs, since the members of the Brooklyn-Baltimore syndicate were exhibiting themselves to the public gaze early in New York in the evening, and a conference will doubtless be needed with them before final action can be taken.

Fitzsimmons and Sharkey Matched.

Thomas Sharkey and Robert Fitzsimmons signed articles yesterday at New York for a 25-round fight before the club offering the largest purse, the contest to take place the first week of August and the winner to take all the purse. Marquis of Queensberry rules will govern. The men and the club are each to put up a forfeit of \$5,000. Bids for the fight will be opened at 8 p.m. March 10 at the Hotel St. Nicholas, at the corner of New York, and the club offering the best inducements will receive the award at that time.

Another Senator Sold.

Manager E. G. Barrow of the Toronto Base Ball Club was in Philadelphia yesterday, and after a consultation with J. Earl Wagner, purchased from the Toronto National League Club the release of Catcher M. S. Roach. It is understood that \$300 was paid for the release.

SOLDIERS WITHOUT FUNDS.

Application Made to Sanitary Officer for Transportation.

During the past few days Sanitary Officer Frank has received an unusually large number of requests for transportation. Among those who have made application recently were a number of discharged soldiers who were trying to reach their homes after service in the volunteer army. Two such applicants appeared this morning one wanted to go to Cincinnati, while the other was anxious to get to his home in Covington, Ky.

When the sanitary officer said he feared he could not do much for the Ohio man, his Kentucky friend remarked, "They've got to send you." Unless something was done for them he said, "I would prefer to President McKinley. Both men had seen service in Cuba.

The Ohio man had a disability discharge, while the other man said he had received a dishonorable discharge because of trouble in a kitchen. The sick man was furnished transportation part of the way home, but assistance was refused the man from Covington.

Thirty Days for Each Offense.

Caesar Gordon was this afternoon convicted by Judge Kimball in the Police Court of assaulting Henry Fox, with the larceny of a pair of pants, valued at \$5, from Mayer & Pettit. He was given thirty days in jail for each offense.

William Price was today sent to jail for four months by Judge Kimball in the Police Court for striking Henry Pinkney in the head with a brick Saturday last. Pinkney was severely but not dangerously wounded. Price and another man were also charged with engaging in an assault the same day of the assault, and each was fined \$5, with fifteen days in default.

Private Parlors.

Manicure 25c.
Hairdressing 35c.
Facial Massage 75c.

Mme. de Margo of Boston, the noted facial massage expert, is now a member of the Palais Royal staff.

Wait until Monday. Inquire on Basement floor of the Palais Royal.

Easter Cards.

Good..... 1c.
Better..... 2c.
Best..... \$1

The stock complete. Least prices, but nothing trades. Write them Cards at 1c and the Booklets at 10c.

The Palais Royal "Three."

Three special sales, possible only because of cash payments and immense purchases. And such immense purchases are possible only because of the Palais Royal's vast outlet. Yesterday more than 2,000 pieces of fine Silverware were distributed—more than all the jewelry establishments in Washington sell in a month.

Sale No. 1. (Silverware.)

Each piece bears the trade mark and guarantee of the famous Apollo Silver Company of New York. They sold us all their 1899 patterns—11,235 pieces—for cash at a nominal price. They are passed on to you at a slight advance, creating a quick distribution.

Lot 1 - - - - 98c.

(Some worth \$2.50.)

Lot 2 - - - - \$1.98

(Some worth \$3.50.)

Lot 3 - - - - \$2.98

(Some worth \$5.00.)

To choose from are Soup Tureens... Tea Pots... Coffee Pots... Chocolate Pots... Sugar Bowls... Cream Pitchers... Butter Dishes... Syrup Pitchers... Bread Trays... Cacker Jars... Claret Pitchers... Table Forks... Spoon Forks... Pie Servers... Cake Baskets... Trays... Salad Bowls... Soup Ladles... Berry Sets... Pie Sets... Fern Dishes... Puff Boxes... Inkwells... Smokers' Sets, &c., &c.

Rogers' Goods.

Each piece stamped with the famous maker's name, Wm. A. Rogers. The additional written guarantee reads as follows:

I guarantee the base of these goods stamped with my name and trade-mark to be 21 per cent Nickel Silver, the plating full standard weight of pure silver and superior to all other goods having a similar plating. WM. A. ROGERS, New York.

Note the prices.

6 Tea Spoons..... 38c.
6 Coffee Spoons..... 38c.
6 Dessert Spoons..... 38c.
6 Table Spoons..... 38c.
6 Table Forks..... 38c.
6 Spoon Forks..... 38c.
6 Butter Knives..... 38c.
1 Gravy Ladle..... \$1.19
1 Gravy Ladle..... 42c.



Don't forget the Palais Royal's Dress Goods Department is on second floor.

The present distribution is of the very latest spring-summer goods in perfect variety of styles and shades. Sensationally little prices, the talk of merchants and the public. Comparisons tell. The Silks being eagerly purchased by the patrons of Mr. Wanamaker in Philadelphia and New York at 65c a yard are here at 50c yard. The "buyer," just from the wholesale market, will vouch for this statement and as-tounded you with the quantities, variety and beauty of the newly acquired Dress Goods.

Sale No. 3. (Suits, etc.)

Tomorrow is the last day of the initial sale of the completed stocks Spring-Summer Suits and Wraps, with the complimentary prices made as souvenirs of the occasion. Here they are:

CLOTH SUITS.

\$12.50 Suits for..... \$10.00

\$14.50 Suits for..... 14.75

\$24.50 Suits for..... 22.50

SEPARATE WAISTS.

\$5.00 Silk Waists..... \$4.48

\$8.75 Silk Waists..... 7.98

\$12.00 Silk Waists..... 10.99

WASH WAISTS.

\$1.50 Wash Waists for..... \$1.29

\$1.00 Wash Waists for..... .80c.

85c. Wash Waists for..... .60c.

SEPARATE SKIRTS.

\$5.00 Cloth Skirts..... \$4.44

\$1.25 Skirts for..... 1.08

\$12.00 Skirts for..... 10.99

SPRING JACKETS.

\$5.00 Garments for..... \$4.44

\$1.25 Garments for..... 1.08

\$12.00 Garments for..... 10.99

NEW WRAPPERS.

\$1.00 Garments for..... .80c.

\$1.25 Garments for..... 1.08

\$5.50 Silk Gowns for..... 4.75

UNDERGARMENTS.

\$1.00 "Reverend" Skirts..... .80c.

\$2.25 "Reverend" Skirts..... 1.98

\$5.50 Silk Petticoats..... 4.75

CHILDREN'S.

\$1.00 Dresses, Hats, &c..... .80c.

\$1.25 Dresses, Hats, &c..... 1.08

\$4.98 Garments, all styles..... 3.98

Basement Floor.

Carlsbad China Cups and Saucers—100 dozen of them—none worth less than 15c. Note those with rosebuds in natural colors and gold lined. 10c for choice. The following are perhaps better bargains:

Teapots, 25c; water pitchers, 25c; large steak dishes, 25c; butter dishes, 2c; dessert plates, 3c; soup plates, 6c; tea plates, 6c; pie plates, 4c; cups and saucers, 8c.

\$2.09 for Umbrellas Worth \$3.

Some few of them, with gun metal, pearl, Dresden and ivory handles, are worth up to \$5, but these are only a few samples. The bulk of them are Men's and Ladies' Umbrellas, all pure silk, tight rolling on 26 and 28-inch paragon frames. And ask for the Mackintoshes at \$3.49 instead of \$5. Particularly good bargains because each has a latest style detachable military cape, a garment worth \$3.50 in itself.

Palais Royal, A. Lisner, G & 11th Sts.

AFFAIRS IN ALEXANDRIA

Business Men's League Opposes Bill to Create a New Office.

The Measure Declared to Be Injurious to City's Interests—General and Personal.

Evening Star Bureau, No. 701 King Street, Bell Telephone No. 343.

ALEXANDRIA VA., March 6, 1900.

The Business Men's League held a special meeting last evening to consider a bill recently passed by the state legislature, and now in the hands of Governor Tyler, creating the office of commissioner of valuation of personal property. President M. B. Harwood presided and Secretary William F. Carre kept the minutes. The president stated the object of the meeting, and then the league gave audience to Mr. Julius Burke, who had thoroughly studied the text of the bill.

Mr. Burke discussed the measure at length, and advised his hearers that it

MARRIAGE IN BULGARIA.

Some of the Curious Customs Observed in That Country.

From the New York Tribune.

There are few places within the limits of semi-civilization that boast of more interesting marriage customs than Bulgaria.

Every young peasant wishes to marry as early as possible, and he is of little importance in the community until he has a wife.

But he is not in danger of forming an alliance in opposition to his parents' wishes, as his earnings belong to them until he is wedded, and his wife must be bought and paid for according to their station in life.

The parents usually give him the necessary sum as soon as they can afford it, so that the contracting families for the marriage is a family affair. In addition to this sum a smaller amount is given to the bride's mother for her personal use.

The pecuniary arrangements have been made by the proxies, the betrothal taken place on either a Wednesday or Thursday. It consists of the exchange of written pledges regarding the sum to be paid by the bridegroom, on the one hand, and the household furnishings to be supplied by the bride on the other.

Rings there are blessed by the priest and exchanged by the couple, the fiancée kisses the hands of the guests assembled and receives from her young friends a few trinkets and a lace veil estimated by the father and her value estimated by the bride.

The fiancée's presents are then placed around as invitations to a feast to be given by the bridegroom's father. After the bride's mother for her personal use.

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